GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – PR & RD Dept – Allegation of irregularities and mmisappropriation of funds in execution of works in I. Polavaram Gram Panchayat, E.G. District – Disciplinary proceedings initiated against Sri K.Ramakantha Rao, the then DEE, PRI Sub-Division, Mummidivaram, East Godavari District, under Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (C.C&A) Rules, 1991 – Charges framed – written statement of defence received – Inquiry conducted – Charge not proved - Further action dropped – Orders – Issued.

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PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 669 **Dated: 24-11-2020.**

Read the following:

1. From the GA (V&E) Department, Vigilance Report No.31(1223/V&E/E1/2013), Dt.14.11.2014.
2. G.O.Rt.No.825, PR&RD (Vig.I) Department, Dt:24.08.2015.
3. From Sri K. Ramakantha Rao, former Dy.EE, PRI Sub-Division, Mummidivaram, E.G. Dist., written statement of defence, dt: 25.03.2016.
4. G.O.Rt.No.702, PR&RD (Vig. I) Dept., 12.10.2019.
5. From the ENC, PR, Letter No. Vig. II/713/2015, dated: 03.06.2020.
6. Govt. Memo No. 19002/Vig. I/2014, PR&RD (Vig. I) Dept., Dt:26.08.2020.
7. From Sri K. Ramakantha Rao, former Dy.EE, PR, Mummidivaram and presently Dy.EE, PIU, Amalapuram, representation dt: 31.08.2020.

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ORDER:-

Based on the recommendations of the Director General, Vigilance & Enforcement Department made in the reference 1st read above, on the allegation of irregularities and misappropriation of funds in execution of works in I. Polavaram, Gram Panchayat of E.G. District, Government, have initiated disciplinary proceedings by framing following article of charge under Rule 20 of A.P.C.S (CC&A) Rules, 1991 vide reference 2nd read above, against Sri K.Ramakantha Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, PRI Sub-Division, Mummidivaram, East Godavari District, with a direction to submit his written statement of defence :

CHARGE:-

That Sri K.Ramakantha Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, PRI Sub-Division, Mummidivaram, East Godavari

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District has allowed and recommended for release of payment for the plastering item of work was not executed but payment of Rs.18,325/- was proposed and paid without verifying the actual work done for the work "Providing CC drain from S.C.Peta School, I.Polavaram" for the plastering of top and inner sides of drain walls without actual work done and also seignorage charges were recovered from the work bill, but the same was not remitted to the Mines & Geology Department. Hence the charge.

2. In the reference 3rd read above, the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj has forwarded the written statement of defence of the charged officer Sri K.Ramakantha Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, PRI Sub-Division, Mummidivaram, East Godavari District.

3. Government, having not satisfied with the written statement of defence submitted by the above Charged Officer, have decided to conduct regular inquiry into the matter. Accordingly, in the reference 4th read above, appointed the Superintending Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Kakinada, East Godavari District as the Inquiring Authority for conducting regular inquiry into the charges framed against the charged officer Sri K. Ramakantha Rao, Deputy Executive Engineer (PR) and also against the other three (3) co-charged officers involved in the case.

4. In the reference 5th read above, the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, AP, Vijayawada has furnished the inquiry report of the Superintending Engineer, PR, Kakinada, E.G. District dt: 18.03.2020, wherein the inquiry officer, among others, has held that charge is not proved against the charged officer Sri K. Ramakantha Rao, Deputy Executive Engineer (PR).

5. in the reference 6th read above, Government, among others, have communicated the copy of the Inquiry report to the charged officer Sri K. Ramakantha Rao, Deputy Executive Engineer (PR) for submitting his representation, if any on the findings of the Inquiry Authority.

6. In the reference 7th read above, the charged officer Sri K. Ramakantha Rao, former Dy.EE, PR, Mummidivaram and presently Dy.EE, PIU, Amalapuram has submitted his representation stating that the Inquiry Authority after considering the evidence, concluded inquiry report by holding that charge is not proved against him. He has requested to consider the findings of the Inquiring Authority and to drop further action against him.

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7. Government, after careful examination of the matter have decided to drop further action against Sri K. Ramakantha Rao, former Deputy Executive Engineer, PR, Mummidivaram and presently Deputy Executive Engineer, PIU, Amalapuram, East Godavari District, since the charge framed against him is not proved.

8. Accordingly, Government hereby drop further action against Sri K. Ramakantha Rao, former Deputy Executive Engineer, PR, Mummidivaram and presently Deputy Executive Engineer, PIU, Amalapuram, East Godavari District, in the matter.

9. The Engineer in Chief, Panchayat Raj, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada, shall take further necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

GOPAL KRISHNA DWIVEDI
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri K. Ramakantha Rao, former Deputy Executive Engineer, PR, Mummidivaram and presently Deputy Executive Engineer, PIU, Amalapuram, East Godavari District
through Engineer in Chief, Panchayat Raj, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
The Engineer in Chief, Panchayat Raj, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
Copy to:-
The Secretary to VC, A.P. Vigilance Commission, Velagapudi.
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SECTION OFFICER